

City Gate 2014

- Benefits of Partnership
 - Pat Quigley

A Bit of History

- * Founded in 1998 as a supported living service.
- * 6 tenants, 2 staff, 1 property.
- * 2010, 68 tenants, 58 locations.
- * Genio.
- * Our Lady of Good Council.
- * Support team of 6.

Our Vision

- * City Gate seeks to assist people who wish to live independently, through the provision of Housing and Social Supports.

Our Core Values

- * The core value which underlines the City Gate Service, is the recognition that everybody has the right to live in dignity and is provided with a standard of Housing which facilitates this.

Punching above your Weight

- * How do you support 68 people in 58 locations from North County Dublin to South Wicklow with a support team of 6 people?
- * The answer is partnership.
- * Partnership with who?
- * And why?

City Gate Social Partnerships

- * ICSH
 - * County Councils
 - * Court Services
 - * Inclusion Ireland
 - * HSE
 - * St. John of God Housing Association
- Community Welfare Officers
 - Housing Associations
 - Probation Service
 - Homeless Agency
 - PRTB
 - Dept. of the Environment
 - Social Services

Recognition

- * Dedicated housing service.
- * Knowledgeable and experience.
- * A specialist provider.
- * Community based.
- * Person centred.
- * We have history.

Not Afraid To....

- * Be leaders.
- * Make mistakes.
- * Knock on doors.
- * Be persuasive.
- * Champion our cause.
- * Specialists in private rented accommodation.

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- * Rent supplement too low.
- * Rent supplement withdrawn.
- * Private rental market out of reach.
- * Bed sit accommodation gone.
- * Less Landlords.
- * Homelessness.

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- * A different landscape.
- * New ways of doing business.
- * Partnership more important than ever.
- * More and different partners.
- * Housing associations.
- * Families.
- * Extended families.

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- * 3 Staff.
- * Dedicated settlement and sustainment team.
- * Housing and support separate.
- * More specialist.
- * More focused.

Housing Options

- * Private Ownership.
- * Private Rented – Individual / Sharing.
- * Supported/ Sheltered Housing.
- * Other Housing Associations (HAIL, Respond! Circle).
- * Local Authority – social housing.
- * With/ our HSE supports.
- * Cooperative Housing Schemes – <http://www.nabco.ie>

Please Remember

- * ‘people with a disability shall not be deemed adequately housed when their current address is although an adult, remain in the family home due to their personal circumstances and / or support needs’.**

In Conclusion

- * Be recognised.
- * Specialise.
- * Be knowledgeable.
- * Network even if you don't need that contact today.
- * Be determined optimists.

Thank You.